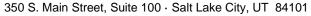


UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cooler temperatures along with isolated rainstorms occurred throughout the state last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. According to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor report, 65 percent of the state is experiencing exceptional drought (D4), 27 percent of the state is experiencing extreme drought (D3), and the rest of the state is in severe drought (D2) or moderate drought (D1). Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 17 percent last week to 20 percent. Box Elder and Beaver Counties reported producers have finished their first cutting of alfalfa. Statewide, the first cutting of alfalfa and the first cutting of other hay are 84 percent complete and 76 percent complete, respectively. Box Elder County reports winter wheat is beginning to turn color, and farmers have started their second cutting of alfalfa. Statewide, barley headed is at 71 percent complete and winter wheat headed is at 97 percent complete, both ahead of last year's progress. Box Elder County reported fruit producers are beginning to harvest cherries and apricots. Beaver County reports grasshoppers and Mormon crickets in alfalfa fields, and pastures were drying out due to a lack of moisture. Duchesne County reports livestock producers are selling cattle due to the drought, and crop growers are dealing with short irrigation water supplies. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 25 percent very short, 27 percent short, and 48 percent adequate. Stock water supplies were rated 27 percent very short, 53 percent short, and 20 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 21 percent very poor, 38 percent poor, 29 percent fair, and 12 percent good.

CI	CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alfalfa hay					
1st cutting harvested	84	76	84	85	
2 nd cutting harvested	2	NA	NA	NA	
Barley					
Headed	71	58	67	76	
Other hay					
1 st cutting harvested	76	66	53	68	
Tart cherries					
Harvested	8	5	2	NA	
Winter wheat					
Headed	97	87	89	NA	

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
Days suitable for field work	6.1	7.0	6.6	6.9		
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	30	26	11	10		
Short	50	57	34	32		
Adequate	20	17	55	57		
Surplus				1		
Subsoil moisture						
Very short	30	29	13	10		
Short	39	33	31	29		
Adequate	31	38	56	60		
Surplus				1		

NA – not available (--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	-			
Very poor	1	1		NA
Poor	18	14	4	NA
Fair	30	29	24	NA
Good	49	54	67	NA
Excellent	2	2	5	NA
Barley	-	_		1111
Very poor				
Poor	16	16	3	1
Fair	44	44	36	14
	34	34	55	64
Good		-		-
Excellent	6	6	6	21
Corn				
Very poor				
Poor	4	6	10	2
Fair	29	35	31	17
Good	61	55	55	69
Excellent	6	4	4	12
Other hay				
Very poor	5	4		NA
Poor	23	20	7	NA
Fair	34	36	21	NA
Good	38	40	68	NA
Excellent			4	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor	29	28	4	3
Poor	43	47	12	8
Fair	27	24	43	30
Good	1	1	41	46
Excellent				13
Winter wheat				15
Very poor	15	15	5	4
Poor	32	40	14	8
Fair	34	29	39	27
Good	13	10	31	46
	6	6	11	15
Excellent	U	U	11	13
Cattle and calves				
	1	1		
Very poor	1 10	5	1	1
Poor			1	1
Fair	38	39	9	11
Good	48	52	81	73
Excellent	3	3	9	15
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				
Poor	13	7		1
Fair	43	40	16	16
Good	41	50	72	73
Excellent	3	3	12	10

NA – not available (--) – zero